

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The FFA and Agricultural Education provide a strong foundation for the youth of America and the future of the food, fiber, and natural resource systems; and,

Whereas, The FFA promotes premier leadership, personal growth, and career success among its members; and,

Whereas, Agriculture Education and the FFA ensure a steady supply of young professionals to meet the growing demands in the science, business, and technology of agriculture; and,

Whereas, The FFA motto, "Learning to do, Doing to learn, Earning to live, Living to serve", gives direction of purpose to these students who take an active role in succeeding in agricultural education; and,

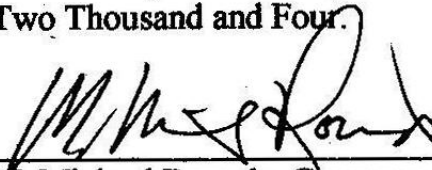
Whereas, The FFA promotes citizenship, volunteerism, patriotism, and cooperation:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 21-28, 2004, as

FFA WEEK

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Second Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State